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Capt. Cooney Bound Home.

Capt. Frank Cooney, who took sch. Lima south last fall and has made several trips in the snapper fishery arriving there, is on his way home from Pensacola and is expected to arrive some time during the week.

am Trawler Doing Well at Canso.

The steam trawler Hayondor arrived Canso, Friday with a trip of 120,000 pounds of haddock and halibut. This was 250,000 pounds landed by the trawler in two weeks. Dealers are just completing a nice harvest of splendid quality.

THE ETIQUETTE OF FISHING

Some Rules for Those Who Get Their Living from the Deep.

Says the Portland Evening Express: Running along the coast at this season, are large schools of codfish seeking a place to deposit their spawn. These are fish that only at this time of the year are found so near the shore, their natural abiding place being far out at sea in deep water. The places where this spawn is deposited are of light area and of course are eagerly sought after by fishermen, for unlike most varieties of fish, the codfish bite any time.

An ordinary Hampton fishing boat can cover only a certain amount of area literally, but by judicious or inefficient use of the anchor rode line, a fisherman inclined to "hog" can entirely bar out any one he so desires. First on the ground, he naturally selects, with due reference to the wind and tide, such place as he knows from past experience will prove satisfactory to catch. He runs a certain distance ahead of where he desires to be, throws his anchor and pays out his line until he is located to his satisfaction.

Another fisherman has been running on the same shoal or ledge. If he follows fisherman etiquette, he can take his choice of but two berths, on the right or left of the first anchored boat, and when his anchor in turn goes down, when his boat brings up, he is on the right hand side of the right or left hand side of his neighbor, with bow and stern even with the other boat.

If the first fisherman has been there long enough to have toiled the fish up to him, and has caught a few, it is all out with the other boat, its occupants can fish, but owing to some regular custom among fishes, they seldom desert one boat for another.

The fish at this time of year do not stay in any place very long, and a result, may not have another school of fish on it for a month. On November 7th of 1914, a spectator sat in his motor boat a short distance from Whaleboat Island and saw a fisherman (and lining) take 600 pounds of fish as fast as he could pull them from the water. The next day there were eight boats fishing in about the same place, and the aggregate crews did not catch over 30 pounds of fish.

Beware of anchoring under another man's stern, when he is fishing. It is practically equivalent to going down in a diver's suit and removing fish from his hook. One may "get away" with his trick once, but that once will give the offender a reputation among the fleet, that will remain with him forever.

If one is a "highlander" and by this term the island visitors that go fishing are known, he should think carefully before he picks the largest fish to carry to his boarding house as a trophy of his skill. Not but what he is entitled to the fish, of that there can be no doubt, but does he really need it as much as his boatman does? To the latter it represents money, to the vacationist simply the gratification of a little vanity.

Don't ask a fisherman if he has any spare bait, if you chance to run up times out of ten he will pass over some. It makes no difference as to the kind, herring, winkles or clams, it means an expenditure of his time.

During the early winter of 1914-1915 five boats stayed in the Royal river all night, when the herring were running in order to get bait early enough to catch the morning tide. Still it is safe to say that any member of the crew of those boats would have helped some other fisherman from their scanty store if asked. Casco bay fishermen are generous to a fault.

Do not blame a fisherman if you employ him to take you out and you do not catch the fish. Don't say when you get in from your trip "I was out with so and so, and never had a bite," and then add, "I never will go with him again." Stop for a moment and think what such a remark can easily be made to mean by the time it has been repeated once or twice. You have practically deprived the fisherman of part of his chance of obtaining a livelihood and have given him no opportunity to reply in his own defense. In an acquaintance covering several years, we have never yet seen a Casco bay fisherman, professional or semi-professional, that did not give the best service he could to his employer. Success means further employment, satisfaction, judicious advertising.

Do not expect impossibilities, in other words, do not expect others to do what you would be unwilling to do yourself. If you ask a fisherman where you could go and get a good catch of fish, if he knew and was a fisherman, would he tell you? Would you go up to him and ask him in the same manner for \$2 to spend in some foolish way? Fish is money, and money is life. All you would get out of catching two or three hundred pounds of fish would be the amusement for the time being. On the other hand any fisherman that knew of such a place, and told a rank outsider of it, would be deserving of pity.

One thing more, according to the Declaration of Independence, "all men are born free and equal." Try not to forget this. "Nothing is so certain as a well settled idea of superiority, to prove the inferiority of the man who has that opinion of himself." Pass the helping hand. You are going through this world but once. No matter how many things you think you know, you do not know them all. Never mind the fisherman's clothes, his ways or his conversation. In all these things he may differ from you, but as Robert Burns says: "A man's a man for a' that."

ONE HALIBUT FARE IN TODAY

The Few Gill Netters Going Bring in Only Small Catches.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, arrived during the morning with a 12,000 pound fare of fresh halibut. This is Capt. Stream's first trip this year, the craft having been absent since January 22.

The gill netters did but little yesterday, the few crafts out having small lifts. None of them were out today.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Quartette, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lorena, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 1800 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, halibuting, 12,000 pounds of fresh halibut, 3000 pounds salt cod.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, shore.

Sch. Manomet, shore.

Sch. Leonora Silveira, shore.

Sch. Harriett, shore.

Sch. Adeline, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Patriot, haddocking.

Sch. John R. Bradley, Newfoundland sealing.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, 3.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.75.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Newfoundland herring, \$3.25 per bbl. for salt bulk, \$4.25 per bbl. for pickled.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

Western cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.

Hake, \$1.25.

Cusk, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.15; snappers, 50c.

Pollock, round, 80c; dressed, 90c.

Fresh halibut 13 1-2c for white and 9c for gray.

Newfoundland frozen herring, 3c per lb.

Capt. Spinney Going.

Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney will start Monday to fit sch. John Hays Hammond for fresh halibuting.

CATCH NEARLY ONE HALF SCROD

Four Beam Trawlers at Boston Have Over 100,000 Lbs.

Immature Haddock.

The arrival of four beam trawlers at Boston this morning with over 225,000 pounds of fresh fish constituted the bulk of the morning's supply. Of this amount, 105,000 pounds, or nearly half, was scrod, however.

Other off shores in were schs. Pontiac, 50,000 pounds; Vanessa, 44,000 pounds.

At T wharf, two small arrivals were reported, sch. Stranger with 5000 pounds and the Advance, 4000 pounds.

Wholesale quotations were \$3.50 to \$4 a hundred for haddock, \$5 for large and \$3 for market cod, \$3 to \$5.50 for hake, \$4 for pollock and \$1.50 for cusk.

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ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.

Sch. Jorgina, 2500 haddock, 1600 cod, 3000 hake, 1500 cusk.

Str. Breaker, 54,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Str. Swell, 56,000 haddock, 2200 cod.

Str. Surf, 54,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Str. Crest, 50,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Vanessa, 20,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 3000 hake, 7000 cusk.

Sch. Valerie, 14,000 haddock, 10 cod.

Sch. Pontiac, 40,000 haddock, 57 cod, 2500 hake, 3500 cusk, 150 halibut.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 8000 haddock, 1500 cod.

ARRIVALS AT T WHARF.

Str. Ranger, 2000 haddock, 3000 hake.

Sch. Advance, 1800 cod, 1500 hake.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$3 to \$5.50; pollock, \$4; cusk, \$1.50.

SCH. CORTADA LOST.

Lunenburg Owned Vessel Posted as Gone with All on Board.

The tern schooner W. Cortada, owned at Lunenburg, has been posted as lost, with all on board. Her crew consisted of Capt. Edwin Backman and seven men. The Cortada is 42 days out on a voyage from Lunenburg to Ponce, P. R., with a cargo of fish and lumber. Her owners, Zwicker & Co. Ltd., believe she was lost in the gale of January 13, two days after she left port.

Lunenburg already has lost two other vessels this winter, the Wilfred M. having fallen prey to the German converted cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm on a voyage to Bahia recently, and the Fleetly having been abandoned at sea. In neither case, however, was there loss of life.

Portland Fishing News.

In addition to about 75,000 pounds of fish brought in Monday by the local vessels the Gloucester sch. Margaret came in with one of the finest halibut fares taken out here for a long time, she having over 30,000 pounds, in addition to about 4000 pounds of salt cod. The halibut were purchased by Capt. Fred Harty for the New England Fish Co., he paying 7 1-2 and 13 cents. The schooner had been five weeks on the trip, most of her fishing having been done on the Green Banks, and although the skipper reported the worst kind of weather the trim looking craft came through it all without damage of any kind.

The sch. Lochinvar, one of the vessels of the local fleet arriving Monday brought in besides a fare of 16,000 pounds of market fish a monster lobster which tipped the scales at 13 pounds, it being pulled up off Seguin, one of the fishing lines having got twisted around its claws.

Tuesday was another good fish day, nearly every vessel of the local fleet coming in with fares, the aggregate, including that landed by the boat fishermen, being considerably in excess of 100,000 pounds. The market is now well supplied and prices are ruling low.

The fishing steamer Alice, Capt. George Rice, came up Tuesday from Boothbay, where she has been hauled up for the past two months, and will at once commence gill netting operations, a business in which she made such a good record last season. She will make her headquarters at Long wharf, alongside the old tug Joe Baker, which she will use for storage of her nets, etc.

Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Waldo L. Stream sold to the American Halibut Company for 13 1-2 cents per pound for white and nine cents for gray.

Porto Rico Fish Market.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Feb. 9.—Arrivals of fishstuffs at the various ports since our last of the 2d inst. were as follows, ex strs. Carcas, Brazos, Gravson, from New York:

At San Juan—225 tcs. cod, 50 tcs. pollock, 45 tcs. fish, 109 bbls. pickled fish, 675 bxs. bloaters.

At Ponce—105 tcs. cod, 40 tcs. pollock, 40 tcs. haddock, 10 tcs. fish, 34 bbls. pickled fish.

At Mayaguez—51 tcs. cod, 26 tcs. pollock, 3 tcs. haddock.

For outports—25 tcs. cod, 5 bxs. salmon, 475 bxs. bloaters, ex Br. sch. M. C. McKay, from Lunenburg, N. S.

At Ponce—500 tcs. and 150 bxs. cod-fish.

Codfish.—Although supplies on hand are in transit are fair, the prices quoted in our last circular of \$32.75 for small and medium and \$33.75 per cask for large, remain very firm and with active demand.

Pollock and Haddock.—Stocks are very moderate and the demand good at prices of about \$23 per drum, on usual basis "net ex wharf."—S. Ramirez & Co.

Belleoram Craft Gone.

Says the St. John's Herald of February 12:

A message to Mr. LeMessurier, Deputy Minister of Customs, this forenoon, says: "Fishing schooner Mattie, 38 tons, of Belleoram, became total wreck last night while entering harbor LaCoe. She had 180 cills fish on board. The crew are safe."

LOCAL FISHERMEN GOING TO RESCUE

Not only has Gloucester come to the relief of the Newfoundland fleet of bankers in furnishing them an adequate bait supply, but will render even still greater assistance by furnishing men to man the crafts, so that they may prosecute the spring fishery, according to advices published last week in the St. John's, N. F., Trade Review. The article says:

It was announced that Messrs. Harvey & Co., who are largely interested

in the West Coast fisheries, had to import salted squid bait from Gloucester for their schooners' crews; this week we have to announce an even more astounding fact in connection with the same fishery which is that a number of Gloucester fishermen have come down to the West Coast and shipped for the bank fishery in Newfoundland schooners prosecuting the voyage from that section of the Island. To slightly enlarge the familiar expression, this looks like "sending colliers to Newcastle," in a very earnest manner indeed.

The explanation for this new departure is in the fact that the New England fishermen are practically out of the salt bulk fish trade entirely, and are confining their activities to the fresh fish trade, and as far as possible, daily trips. Since the removal of the duty on salt bulk fish in foreign bottoms, the competition of Canadian and Newfoundland bankers has cut into the old time profits, and the New England fishermen have come to realize that there is more money in the daily fresh fish trade in which, for obvious reasons neither Canadian nor Newfoundland fishermen can hope to successfully compete.

NON-RESIDENT FISHING LICENSE

A bill introduced in the Maine House of Representatives provides for a non-resident fishing license of \$3 per year. The law applies only to males over 18 years of age, no mention being made of women fishers. The bill will give fishermen the right to ship 15 pounds of game fish out of the state. Penalty for violations of its provisions is a fine of \$25 for each offence. All non-resident fishermen are required to have the license in their possession when angling.

Going Halibuting.

Sch. Elmer W. Gray is fitting for halibut trip in command of Capt. Charles Peterson.

Going to Newfoundland.

Sch. Arkona is being fitted for a trip to Newfoundland by Capt. Carl McIntosh.

FAMOUS CRAFT TO HUNT FOR SEALS

Sch. John R. Bradley Again Ready to Penetrate Frozen North.

The famous sch. John R. Bradley of this port, which took "Doc" Cook and his party on their northern expedition, in which he claimed to have discovered the North Pole, will again sail for the northern regions, probably tomorrow, to engage in sealing, a new enterprise for Gloucester.

She will be commanded by Capt. Dominic Arsenault, a native of the Magdalenes, who has had some experience in sealing and will carry a quota of 23 men. He will take from here just enough men to reach Burgeo, N. F., where the main part of the crew will be shipped. The men are all experienced sealers and will navigate among the ice fields where the seal are to be found in large quantities.

The open season on sealing commences March 12. As in past years, a number of Newfoundland crafts will also penetrate the northern regions.

The experiment will be watched here with interest, inasmuch as it is a new venture for the local fishery. The skins will be marketed in Newfoundland. It is said that if the venture should prove profitable, others may engage in it another year.

The craft is owned by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company and has been equipped here for her northern voyage. Capt. Arsenault formerly commanded the lake steamer Alcona, which was purchased by the firm and fitted up as a refrigerator craft and was destroyed by fire at the Bay of Islands, N. F.

TELESCOPE CAN FIND AN ARRIVAL

This port today was without rival. The gill netters yesterday maimed in port, there being so much a sea on outside as to interfere with fishing.

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Sch. Rex, halibuting.
British sch. Artisan, Lunenburg.

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MUST KEEP FISH COVER

Delegation from T Wharf Calls About Retail Sales.

A half a dozen fishermen, in the costume of their wharf, in the costume of their wharf, in the costume of their wharf, dropped in to see Dr. Francis Mahoney, chairman of the Health Board, Thursday, and asked if he intended to prohibit the retail sale of fish at that wharf, as had been done to them.

Dr. Mahoney informed them so far as his department was concerned the story was without foundation.

Then Dr. Mahoney told them something that did have foundation, namely, that they must keep the fish sale covered. The board will not allow fish to be exposed in the open planks or the sides of the sheds. He advised that they construct sheds in which to keep the fish covered.